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1. WHILE GOP HAS NOT FORMALLY DECIDED WHAT ISSUES TO RAISE IN SEPTEMBER WORLD BANK/IMF MEETINGS, IT IS KEENLY INTERESTED IN DEFINITION OF COUNTRIES ELIGIBLE FOR IDA SOFT LOAN FINANCING TO ENSURE THAT IT WILL CONTINUE TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR SUCH LOANS DESPITE ITS INCREASED PER CAPITA GDP. BILATERAL ISSUES WHICH GOP MAY DISCUSS WITH BANK OFFICIALS INCLUDE IFC LOAN TO FINAP AND THE REQUEST TO THE WORLD BANK FOR FINANCING OF ARGENTINE/PARAGUAYAN HYDROELECTRIC PROJECT OF YACYRETA.

2. AT PRESENT, IT APPEARS ALMOST SURE THAT GOP DELEGATION WILL BE HEADED BY DR. CESAR ROMEO ACOSTA, PRESIDENT OF CENTRAL BANK. EMBASSY EXPECTS FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS WILL ALSO ATTEND: DR. OSCAR JACINTO OVELAR, UNDER SECRETARY OF FINANCE; DR. EULALIO R. PALACIOS, TECHNICAL ADVISOR OF THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE; DR. JULIO REGIS, PRESIDENT OF THE NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT BANK; AND AN ADVISORFROM THE CENTRAL BANK.

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